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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA

27th December, 1916.,

Dear Sir,

It is the intention of the Governor General to visit Toronto on the 22nd of next month, the prime object of his visit being to speak at the Patriotic Fund Meeting to be held at Massey Hall that evening.

His Excellency desires if time is available to visit any places of interest which those in charge may find it convenient for him to do. I therefore suggested to him this morning that a visit to Toronto University would probably be acceptable to those at the College and also afford interest to himself. Would you be so good as to inform me whether you desire such a visit, and if so, the hour at which it would be convenient for you to receive His Excellency in order that he might view the building. Both the morning of January 22nd and January 23rd are available. Of course if the University is in vacation and you would prefer to postpone the visit, it would in all probability be quite agreeable to His Excellency to so postpone the visit, but I am anxious that the

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Governor General should take an early opportunity as possible to see over the University of Toronto and am therefore asking whether the suggestion meets with your approval.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

H.G. Henderson
Lt.Colonel,
Military Secretary.

Dr R.A. Falconer, M.A., C.M.G.,
&c &c
The University of Toronto,
TORONTO, Ont.

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December 29th, 1916

Dear Colonel Henderson:

It was very good of you to suggest to His Excellency that he might visit the University of Toronto when he is to be here on the 22nd and 23rd of January. We shall be very much pleased if His Excellency will agree to your suggestion and we hope that he will be kind enough to take sufficient time for the inspection of several of our buildings.

If twelve o'clock on Tuesday, the 23rd, will be a convenient hour we should like to have a formal reception for His Excellency in the Convocation Hall at that time, and hope that His Excellency will then say a few words to our undergraduates.

Yours sincerely,

President.

Lt.-Colonel H. C. Henderson,
Military Secretary,
Government House, Ottawa.

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OTTAWA

31st December, 1916.,

Dear Dr Falconer,

I have shown your letter of 29th instant to His Excellency and he will, as suggested by you, visit the University at 12 noon and comply with your wish to say a few words to the undergraduates. on 23rd.

Will you kindly inform me which entrance you would receive His Excellency so that I may have everything properly arranged.

Yours faithfully,

J.H.G. Henderson
Lt.Colonel,
Military Secretary.

Dr R.W.Falconer,
&c &c
President,
The University of Toronto,
TORONTO, Ont.,

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January 3rd, 1917

Dear Colonel Henderson:

At a meeting of the Senate of the University held yesterday afternoon it was unanimously agreed to offer to His Excellency the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. If His Excellency is pleased to accept the offer of this degree we propose to confer it upon him on Tuesday, January 23rd, at a special convocation to be held at twelve o'clock, when he has kindly consented to address the undergraduates.

We should look for the arrival of His Excellency at the north door of the Convocation Hall.

Will you be kind enough to let me know whether on that occasion we are to have the pleasure of welcoming Her Excellency also in the University ?

Yours sincerely,

President.

Lieutenant Colonel H. G. Henderson,
Military Secretary, Government House,
Ottawa.

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January 8th, 1917

Dear Colonel Henderson:

I am very glad to know that His Excellency consents to accept the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

It would have been pleasant to have Her Excellency here at that time, but we shall look forward to a visit from her later.

Yours sincerely,

President.

Lt.-Colonel Henderson,
Military Secretary,
Government House, Ottawa.